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Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Your recent letter (Q#487) asked whether there have been consulting contracts between CIA and the U.S. Postal Service to provide the recruiting and training of postal inspectors. We have found no record suggesting that CIA has been involved in any recruitment of postal inspectors. However, in response to specific requests from the Postal Service, the Agency did provide specialized training for a group of postal inspectors in 1973 and 1974. The objective of the training was to familiarize the inspectors with the recognition and disarming of packages containing explosive or incendiary devices. A two hour lecture on this subject was given to a group of postal inspectors on 1 February 1973, and a 40 hour course was conducted in February 1974.

Our present involvement with the Postal Service consists of only rental of post office boxes and other normal mailing services.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

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	Canvass of	elements of the Office of Security fails						
	to reveal any co	ntinuing relationships with the United						
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IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO Q# 457

Admiral Stansfield Turner Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Langley, Virginia

Dear Admiral Turner:

We have received an inquiry from Common Cause asking if the Central Intelligence Agency has any lingering involvement with the Postal Service.

Would you kindly tell us what relationships, if any, still exist. Specifically, have consulting contracts been used by the CIA to provide the recruiting and training of postal inspectors.

With best wishes,

Daniel K. Inouye

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